



***St. Louis County 911
User Board Meeting
August 26th, 2010***

User Board Members:

Barbara Johnson (Arrowhead EMS, Orr Ambulance), Jim Ray (Duluth Fire Department), Dana Waldron (Virginia PD), Shannon Schultz (St. Louis County Sheriff's Office), John Themmes (Lakehead Mutual Aid Association)

Interested Parties:

Don Potter (Lake Vermillion Fire Brigade), Dewey Johnson (St. Louis County 9-1-1), Patsy Kingsley (St. Louis County 9-1-1), Lisa Johannessohn (St. Louis County 9-1-1), Marcus Bruning (St. Louis County)

Approve Last Meeting Minutes:

Meeting called to order at 10:05 am by Chair Barb Johnson.

Approval of minutes from last meeting. Motion to approve minutes as sent out. Dana Waldron/Shannon Schultz. Motion carried.

Communications: None

Unfinished Business:

Lisa discussed the progress with the CAD update. Most issues are related to the way CAD uses the mapping program to verify addresses.

New CAD terminal computers: Marcus is specifying out new computers for all CAD terminals in Duluth and Virginia. Monitors will not be replaced at the same time.

Marcus discussed the importance of mapping with the new CAD system how GIS will improve our whole system. St. Louis County has re-allocated funds to fund a new GIS position with St. Louis County Communications. Andy Hayden will start on September 13th. Mr. Hayden has a strong background in computers and is currently working for Eau Claire Police Department as a crime analyst.

Mobile Data: The Sheriff's Office has been testing air cards and will be moving forward on purchasing air cards for all patrol deputies and some investigators.

Marcus described how RadioIP manages the connection methods for MDC's through the data tack, air card, or wi-fi hotspots. The mobile data software upgrade has been pushed back a few months to allow for CAD to become more stable. The upgrade will provide new software upgrade, AVL, and mobile mapping. Dana Waldron suggested

Address Repository: The address repository project is moving forward. The RFI's have been returned and the companies who responded will be interviewed on September 16th. The project is projected to start in October.

New Business:

Sirens: Dana Waldron discussed the need to update the sirens in Virginia and also surrounding communities. They will need to be updated due to the FCC narrowband requirements.

FireWise: Don Potter advised that Lake Vermillion Fire Brigade is working on a FireWise grant. This project will provide GPS coordinates and also provide funding for replacing 911 address signs.

Dispatchers: The St. Louis County dispatchers were recognized by St. Louis County with a group excellence award for the CAD upgrade. Awards were also handed out for assistance with the Hell's Angels event last summer. The Communications department will be giving year of service pins to employees of the Communications department to recognize them for their service.

DANCO: Lisa discussed DANCO (Domestic Abuse No Contact Order) training coming up later this year. A few dispatchers will be attending this training.

Other Business:

Next Meeting:

November 18th at Proctor Police Department.

Dewey will send out e-mail to all User-Board Members that there will not be a September meeting.

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn. Waldron/Ray. Motion carried.